

WAC 246-105-090
Implementation for Varicella
Effective November 12, 2014



WAC 246-105-030 requires all children to be vaccinated against varicella, show proof of immunity or document an exemption to varicella before attending school, a licensed child care center or preschool.

Child Care/Preschool Entry

All children 16 months of age until kindergarten entry who are attending a licensed child care center or preschool must show the following documentation on their Certificate of Immunization Status (CIS) form:

- Date of **one dose** of varicella vaccine, received on or after the child's first birthday; or
- Provider diagnosis or verification of a history of varicella disease or herpes zoster*; or
- Date of blood test (titer) showing serologic proof of immunity to varicella or herpes zoster

Or a Certificate of Exemption (COE) form for a medical, religious or personal/philosophical reason.

**Provider diagnosis or verification means a CIS form or a signed note from a healthcare provider.*

Before and After School Care

School-aged children attending before and/or after-school child care must meet the immunization requirements for their grade in school.

Kindergarten – sixth grade: school year 2014-2015

All children attending kindergarten must show the following documentation on their Certificate of Immunization Status (CIS) form:

- Dates of **two doses** of varicella vaccine, received on or after the child's first birthday and at least 28 days apart; or
- Provider diagnosis or verification of a history of varicella disease or herpes zoster*; or
- Date of blood test (titer) showing serologic proof of immunity to varicella or herpes zoster; or

Or a Certificate of Exemption (COE) form for a medical, religious or personal/philosophical reason..

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Parental documentation of history of varicella disease **is no longer accepted** for these students.

Students in seventh – twelfth grade are not required to comply with these requirements. However the Department of Health encourages full vaccination according to the recommended schedule as the standard of care and best protection

Kindergarten – twelve grade: school year 2015-2016 and 2016-2017

All children attending in the grades listed in the table below must show the following documentation on their Certificate of Immunization Status (CIS) form:

- Dates of **two doses** of varicella vaccine, received on or after the child's first birthday and at least 28 days apart; or
- Provider diagnosis or verification of a history of varicella disease or herpes zoster*; or
- Date of blood test (titer) showing serologic proof of immunity to varicella or herpes zoster; or

Or a Certificate of Exemption (COE) form for a medical, religious or personal/philosophical reason.

| Grade | School Year |
|-------|-------------|
| K-8 | 2015-2016 |
| K-12 | 2016-2017 |

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The Department of Health promotes full vaccination according to the recommended schedule as the standard of care and best protection.

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